

Sec. 2. Each member of such a governing body holding office on the effective date of the Act shall file a copy of his official bond with the secretary of state within 60 days after the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on March 2, 1967, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 17, 1967: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 16, 1967.

Effective Aug. 28, 1967, 90 days after date of adjournment.

## WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION—IMPROVEMENTS FOR WATER SUPPLY

### CHAPTER 595

#### H. B. No. 137

An Act relating to obtaining approval of the Texas Water Rights Commission before making changes in existing improvements used for water supply; amending Article 7495, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. Article 7495, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, is amended <sup>64</sup> to read as follows:

**"Article 7495. Approval for Alterations, etc.**

"All holders of permits and certified filings must obtain the approval of the Texas Water Rights Commission prior to making any alterations, enlargement, extension or other change to any reservoir, dam, main canal, or diversion works upon which a permit has been granted or a certified filing recorded. A detailed statement and plans for alterations or changes shall be filed with the Texas Water Rights Commission and its approval obtained before the alterations or changes are made. This article does not apply to the ordinary maintenance or emergency repair of the facility."

Sec. 2. The fact that this statute did not clearly outline the duty of an appropriator concerning alterations to his facilities; the fact that the statute did not clearly outline the power of the commission concerning what could be done about increases in size of facilities; the fact that it is absolutely imperative that the commission have accurate records concerning the size of out-take facilities on public streams in this state; the importance of this legislation; and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 12, 1967, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 25, 1967: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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64. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 7495.